MONG The FRATERNITIES.

donday-Union, No. 11; Beacon, No. 15, and Langdon, No. 26, business. Diesday Gorden Rule, No. 21, and Mt. Pleasant, No. 29, degree: Washington, No. 6, and Amity, No. 27, busines. Wednesday Eastern, No. 7, and Fede al City, No. 20, degree; Harmony, No. 9, and Friendship, No. 12, business.

Phursday—Covenant, No. 13, degrees; Co-lumbia, No. 10, and Salem, No. 22,

with the assistance of the members of Fidelity Lodge, under the direction of Past Noble Grand Flora O. Schwinger, will present a program of entertainment. Langdon Lodge, No. 26, was instituted by Past Grand Master J. H. Wood January 30, 1894, assisted by the Wood January 30, 1894, assisted by the delegation of members of the order. The list of charter members included Orville T. Putnam, William B. Page, J. Orville T. Putnam, William B. Page, J. R. Sherwood, I. J. Baker, C. A. Baker, T. H. Collins, J. G. Durfey, E. P. Sherman and Frank E. Rapp. Five of the charter members are still members of the lodge; two have withdrawn and are members of lodges on the Pacific coast and two have died. The first noble grand was the late J. R. Sherwood, whose memory is revered by the members of the lodge. Noble Grand Sherwood presented to the lodge its seal and gavels, which are still used in conducting business. Frank E. Rapp was the first vice grand. Of the nine characteristics.

Eastern Lodge, No. 7, met Wednesday night. William J. Rich, past grand master, was appointed as official instructor. One new member, J. T. Farnum, a past grand from Brewer, Me, was added to the rolls by deposit of official certificate. The noble grand, A. B. Lort, and the sitting past grand, Roy Fitch, were absent on account of business which called them out of town. At the next meeting the initiatory degree will be conferred on one or more candidates.

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COL. P. H. LEARY. Grand patriarch, Grand Encampment,

to Grand Patriarch P. H. Leary will take up the work of the encampment degrees. It is reported this term will show an increase in this branch of the order far beyond the gains of the pre-

business session Saturday evening to com-plete arrangements for receiving Gen. A. R. Stocker of Ohio, Military Secretary Col. Fred A. Groom of Maryland and Chief of Staff Gen. E. W. Bradford Feb-

for a popular and entertaining program.

Federal City Lodge, No. 20, Wednesday night will have initiation under the direction of Charles Garrels. After the close of the lodge the line officers will hold a special meeting. The degree work, it is announced, will be started early. Past Grand Humphreys has been appointed instructor for the spring visitation of the grand master. Last Wednesday night the second degree was conferred under the direction of John Wood and the third degree under the direction of Charles Garrels.

Grand Master W. J. Hôpe has made the following appointments: Grand mrs. Maude Brooks; visiting, Noble Grand Mrs. Maude Brooks; visiting, Noble Grand Mrs. Sarah Adams; floral, Past Noble Gr

marshal, V. P. Hammer; grand conductor, E. L. Dunn; grand chaplain, H. S.
Petty; grand guardlan, Bert, V. Wolfe;
grand herald, Harry L. Andresen. The
following Grand Lodge committees
have been appointed and confirmed by
the Grand Lodge: Credentials. W. B.
Randall, Oscar O. Daumer, M. H. Snedman; returns. J. N. Belt, Anthony
Krauth, R. T. McMullen; finance, W. W.
Millan, L. S. Savage, W. H. Sellers; anpeals, D. M. Greene, M. E. O'Brien, F.
A. Norway; supervision, E. W. Bradford, R. A. Ford, E. R. Armentrout
state of the order, W. J. Rich, John H.
Wood, T. J. Gates; on Rebekah lodges
W. F. Dement, L. H. Windsor; special,
on attendance at divine service, H. S.
Petty, J. W. Payne and Wilton Harvey;
jewel committee, M. E. O'Brien, W. W.
Millan, J. D. Yoakley; by-laws, S. E.
Boyce, H. C. Lybrand, W. J. Rogers.

Washington Lodge, No. 6, the home

Washington Lodge, No. 6, the home lodge of Grand Master W. J. Hope, will receive the grand master Tuesday evening, this being his first visit to it since he was installed. Committees have been appointed and plans made which, the members believe, will result in making Washington Lodge the banner lodge for 1916.

take up the work of conferring degrees. Noble Grand Glasscock, it is said, has formulated plans to keep the members active in lodge work during his term

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Metropolis Lodge, No. 15, met Friday evening in Old Masonic Temple. Past Grand R. L. Pumphrey gave an account of the work done at the last session of the Grand Lodge and surrendered his credentials as a representative to the Grand Lodge for the coming year. The lodge refused to elect a successor, it is said, and was unanimous in a request for him to represent it during the year 1916 in the Grand Lodge. Noble Grand De Hart made an address to the lodge upon matters appertaining to growth and greater development and Past Grand W. L. Mothersead of No. 26, who was a visitor, gave a short talk on the formal terms and that no time had been given the performers for preparation, thus insuring the audience an impromptu demon-

Tuesday-Fidelity, No. 7, degree, Friday-Mirlam, No. 6, degree,

The first social meeting of the present M Mallory, marshal of the Assembly. Under the leadership of Noble Grand Elsie Boyce and Vice Grand Margue rite S. Ison, Dorcas, No. 4, hopes to be the banner lodge for 1916.

Fidelity Rebekah Lodge, No. 7, will meet Tuesday evening. The degree will be conferred upon several candi. dates under the direction of Degree Director Irving R. Schwinger. It is re-ported that the growth of the lodge, both in membership and finance, has been greater in proportion to the mem-mership than that of any other lodge.

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At the close of the business session a social hour followed, with Mrs. Smith of the entertainment committee in charge.
A large number of members of the Rebekah degree assembled in Mount Pleasant lodge communications must be a large and others. Music and refreshments were made by Messrs. Spellman, Rupertus, Mangan, Clements, Thorne, March 2 dodge, to see Rebekah lodge, to see the see and by Messrs. Spellman, Rupertus, Mangan, Clements, Thorne, March 2 dodge, to see the Rebekah degree assembled in Mount Pleasant Repeated to be a subject of the see the see and by Messrs. Spellman, Rupertus, Mangan, Clements, Thorne, March 2 dodge, to see the see and by Messrs. Spellman, Rupertus, Mangan, Clements, Thorne, March 2 dodge, to see the see and by Grand Vice the form of the lodge would welcome all members who wished to join, it did not approve of the lodge roor many with to obtain members who lived in the vicinity of the lodgeroom and who were residents for many. Remarks were made by Grand Master I. R. Schwinger, Past Grand Master W. J. Hope, Deputy Grand Welley Master Master Master Master Master Master Mast

Friday—Central, No. 1, degrees: Metropolis, No. 16, and Phoenix, No. 28, business.

ENCAMPMENTS.

Wednesday—Mt. Nebo, No. 6, business.
Friday—Ganton Washington, No. 1, business and drill.

Langdon Lodge, No. 26, will celebrate its twenty-second anniversary tomorrow evening with an "old-time reunion," in which the members of Fidelity Rebekah Lodge, No. 7, will join.

Past Grand Wilton Harvey is chairman of the entertainment committee, and with the assistance of the members of Fidelity Lodge, under the direction of the latest for the degree which will be conferred at an early date.

Amity Lodge, No. 27, celebrated its twenty-second anniversary Tuesday evening with an attractive and amniversary Tuesday evening with a realistic cake walk. F. T. Nichols gave a demonstration of the latest style of cavalytic and amniversary Tuesday evening with an attractive and amnism program of illustrated songs. Mrs. E. Pearle Windsor, Mrs. Robinson and G. W. Powell each sang solos. The illustration to time had been given the performers for preparation, thus insuring formers for preparation, thus insuring formers for preparation, thus insuring the audience an impromptu demonstration in each instance. Mrs. E. J. S. Murray awas assigned a piano solo. Mrs. Annie E. Grigsby and Miss Mary Murray gave an illustration of the latest extended in the audience an impromptu demonstration in each instance. Mrs. E. J. S. Murray awas assigned a piano solo. Mrs. Annie E. Grigsby and Miss Mary Murray gave an illustration of the former handling the carpet sweep-extended in the former handling the carpet sweep-extended in the former handling the carpet sweep-extended in the former for preparation, thus insuring formers for preparation, thus insuring the audience an impromptu demonstration in each instance. Mrs. E. J. S. Murray awas assigned a piano solo. Mrs. Annie E. Grigsby and Miss Emra division in each instance. Mrs. E. J. S. Murray gave an illustration in each instance. Mrs. E. Grigsby and Miss Emra division in each instance. Mrs. E. Grigsby and

Regents E. B. Eynon and John L and James W. Lyons. In Mount Pleasant Lodge, No. 28, Noble Grand Edwin Allan Swingle announces that the first degree will be conferred Tuesday night with an endirection of Past Grand Bert V. Wolfer direction of Past Grand Regent Edwin A. Niess presented Royal Arcanum buttout, Jacob N. Belt and Samuel T. Hind, and William C. Woodruff, Frank J. Woodruff, Frank J Brewer, Me, was the rolls by deposit of official the setting past grand, Roy Fitch, eabeert on account of business which ed them out of town. At the next ting the ministery degree will be corned on one or more candidates.

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day evening initiated two candidates and received reports from the special membership committee of which Past Grand Regent Arthur E. Cook is chair-Dorcas Rebekah Lodge, No. 4, will meet Friday evening, when the degree will be conferred under the direction of E. Sullivan, J. F. Brashears, J. W. E. Sullivan, J. F. Brashears, J. W. Berkley and L. L. Gillchrest, Addresses were made by Past Grand Regents T. M. Hayes and A. E. Cook and Past Regents Chiles, Neal, Mosher, Reding

and medical inspector, Dr. E. W. Wat

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

At the annual reunion held at Richmond Mrs. T. J. Latham of Memphis, Tenn, donated to the Sons the sum of \$25 to be given annually for the best essays on Confederate history. Twenty will be given for the best essays on Confederate history. Twenty and \$5 for the second best. The rules of the council so of the council so of the council so of the council to the second best. The rules of the contest are briefly as follows:

All contestants must have their papers (All contestants must have their papers of the camps of the council to give a stereoptic of the order, their families and friends, and officers of the camps setting forth that they are companied by a certificate signed by Rev. L. Meller, their families and friends, they are companied by a certificate signed by Rev. L. Meller, their families and friends, they are companied by a certificate signed by Rev. L. Rolling, Thomatic, they are companied by a certificate signed by Rev. L. Rolling, Thomatic, they are companied by a certificate signed by Rev. L. Rolling, Thomatic, they are companied by a certificate signed by Rev. L. Rolling, Thomatic, they are companied by a certificate signed by Rev. Rolling, Thomatic, they are companied by a certificate signed by Rev. L. Rolling, Thomatic, The song the council secretary, who was a visitor.

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Federal City Lodge, No. 20, Wednesday night will have initiation under

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE SONS OF VETERANS, U. S. A.



RIGHT-W. H. McGONEGAL, COMMANDER LINCOLN CAMP, NO. 2: V. SPEELMAN, PAST COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF; E. ALBERT LANG, COMMANDER WILLIAM B. CUSHING CAMP; A. MARKS, COMMANDER

council last Monday Regent L. H. Oz-burn presented Royal Arcanum buttons and George W. Sollers, treasurer. It was to three new members initiated. Musical decided to give a banquet at the Ebbitt lan and Jeff Sargeant. Orator John O. the folloying subcommittee was appointed Nash had charge of the entertainment. to prepare a program: J. S. Jones, chair-Short talks were made by Past Grand man; J. Clinton Hiatt, George W. Sollers

Beatle and Past Regents Guy F. Allen, Lincoln Camp, No. 2, met Monday even ing. Mrs. Rose S. Rutledge, president cil Tuesday evening, in mple, held an "Identifigration of the Maryland Division Auxiliary, single present and make P. Dorsey, past national secretary:

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Mrs. Mabel B. Gates, past division president, the special idender, and Mrs. Anna Woltz, vice in gofficer, and Mrs. Anna Woltz, vice president, Cushing Auxiliary, were president, Cushing Auxiliary, were president, the special president, the near colin Camp will be organized in the near future. Commander C. Albert Lang and delivered an address of past Commander O. J. Veley of Cushing visitors present, and Camp were also present and made address of present and made address of past Commander for a visitors present. And Camp were also present and made address of past council past council

committee during the evening and the dancers danced continuously. The council will have an open and "Cinderella party." A class night dance is held every

the Northeast Temple Tuesday evening. Three candidates were initiated, and National Council will hold a progres- for the celebration of Union Defenders' state council deputy, installed the finansive euchre and five hundred party to- day and President Lincoln's birthday, cial secretary and one trustee, made subordinate encampments to meet with morrow evening in Pythian Temple in him in the encampment room of I. O. O. conjunction with the Ladies of the elected the following officers: Everett F. conjunction with the Ladies of the elected the following officers: Everett F. Brown. The "good of the order" com-Hall Thursday evening. February Maccabees. At the meeting of this Warner of Lincoln Camp, president; J. mittee served coffee and sandwiches,

state councilor, and her staff welcomed members from Baltimore. Md., and Alexandria and Fredericksburg, Va., at the Northeast Masonic Hall, 8th and F streets northeast, Monday evening.

Mrs. Naomi E. Swann, National Council warden, and a member of Mizpah Council, No. 3, gave 'the welcome address in behalf of the District of Columbia.

J. W. Granger, sentinel. Refreshments and clgars were served by the entertainment committee, headed by Grand Prince C. H. Hilbert.

Dr. Dorsey of Mount Rainier, Md., gave an illustrated lecture, assisted by J. Duling, also of Mount Rainier, on "The Mystery of the Oyma."

Anacostia Council, No. 16, met Tuesday evening and indorsed the action

Council, No. 3, gave 'the welcome address in behalf of the District of Columbia.

The meeting was opened with Mrs. Floda M. Reagan, state councilor, presiding, by the audience rising and singing "America."

Mrs. Annie Nicholson, national vice councilor, spoke in behalf of the members of Virginia, and more especially those of Mercer Council, No. 10, of Fredericksburgh, of which she is a member.

Mrs. J. H. Manefeld.

logg, and Mmes. Hattie Miller and Annie Lyles presented a sketch.

Mizpah Council, No. 3, received three
applications for membership, initiated
one candidate and reinstated one at its
last meeting.

Triumph Council, No. 8, met Tuesday
evening at Washington Hall, Miss
Emma Connor presiding. One application was received. After the routine of
business the council received Mrs. Floda
M. Reagan, state councilor, and staff of
officers. Mrs. Elizabeth E. Sewell, nast

Great Junior Sagamore Jacque Heidenheimer, Past Great Sachem Robert Thompson, of the District of Columbia, and Great Junior Sagamore Sullivan and Past Sachem Glascock of Virginia.

Logan Tribe's degree team conferre

Communications for any of these columns must be received by The Star not later than noon Thursday of each week Items which relate to events that occur after that time, or contain new and important announcements that cannot be sent in earlier, will be received up to noon Saturday, but not later.

Communications written on both sides of the paper will not be accepted. All communications must be signed with the names and addresses of the persons sending them.

the degree on Mr. Winslow of Herndon, Va., and Mr. Miskell of Red Wing Tribe of the District. The following Washington tribes were represented: Red Wing, by Past Sachem E. R. Boyer; Logan Tribe, by Past Great Sachem J. A. Madison, jr.; Osceola, by Mr. Holdsworth; Sioux, by Junior Sagamore Henry Gompers: White Eagle, by Sachem Southworth: Seneca, by Past Sachem Smoot, and Idaho, by Past Great Sachem Thompson.

The glee club contributed to the entertainment of the evening.

Past Great Sachem W. H. Wilson of Logan Tribe, the oldest past great sachem of the District, was also present.

s its officers for the present six nonths: Prophet, E. Brisco; sachem, Southworth: senior saga-

Degree of Pocahontas.

Mount Vernon Council, No. 10, Wednesday night, in Mount Vernon Hall, with Councilor Albert L. Kirk presiding, made preparations to participate in the class initiation to be held at Renb Council, No. 46, February 7.

The conference of the national board of officers, state councilors and state council secretaries which was to be held February 2, 3 and 4, it is said, has been postponed indefinitely.

J. H. Howell, secretary of Fidelity Council, No. 4. has extended to the officers and members of Mount Vernon Council, No. 3, at its future.

Constellation Council, No. 3, at its mander Tuesday night. Commander J. William D. Clark, N. Scott Council and William H. Wessells.

Scott Council met Monday evening at Pythian Temple for the annual installation of officers. W. J. Barrows, assistant of the by Marking by Lank general: Sheridan Ferree, national patriotic instructor; J. W. Hawkins, Capt. McCrink and J. McCaffery, alds hyan, John Burdine, J. Stealey Elms and A. M. Bugden, installed the follow-land by Milant general: Sheridan Ferree, national patriotic instructor; J. W. Hawkins, Capt. McCrink and J. McCaffery, alds hyan, John Burdine, J. Scott Council met Monday evening at

committee will be held February 4.

National Tent, No. 1, Monday night had three applications filed, and W. F. Lewis of Mount Vernon Tent, No. 4, was adesteemed in the order.

of Mount Vernon Tent, No. 4, was adof Mount Vernon Tent, No. 4, was admitted to National Tent, No. 1, by transfer card. J. M. Foster, leader of the degree team, gave notice that the team would be ready by the first Monday in February to present the degree work for ten or more candidates for National Tent for several other tents that have no degree team. O. W. Hammond of Golden Rule Tent, No. 3, was a visitor.

Each tent, it is said, is expected to select a member to respond to a toast at the banquet, the committee on program o assign the subjects.

Brightwood Tent, No. 5, Tuesday evening, initiated one new member, and dis-cussed plans of the banquet. Bright-wood Tent, it is said, originated the idea of the banquet.

No. 1, is reported recovering from

WOMAN'S BENEFIT ASS'N OF THE MACCABEES At the last meeting of Victory Re-

Columbia Review met Tuesday even- The invitation was accepted

ing and under Mrs. Cochran, the commander, discussed and settled business matters. Tentative plans for the winter's work were also considered. Mrs. La Rue told of the gain of 9,090 the organization had made in membership in 1915, of which the District of Columbia furnished its quota.

following officers were installed for the that the monument to the late Sachem Gartrell was made keeper of wampum for the eighth term. Trustees chosen are Past Sachems W. S. Fowler, C. W. Plaskett and George Cummings.

Mineola Tribe, No. 14, announces a lecture on a trip to the Holy Land by Rev. W. A. Melvin, pastor of the First M. P. Church, who is a member of the tribe, Thursday night at Massonic Hall, Anacostia. Every tribe of P. M. Kennerly, presi- Boyer had been unveiled of the tribe, Thursday night at Masonic Hall, Anacostia. Every tribe of the District was present at the church service Sunday evening, when the sermon was delivered by Rev. Mr. Melvin.

C. T. Miller, O. H. Coumbe and J. W. This is the largest camp of Boys of Woodcraft in the District in a body to the National Hotel, where the thirtieth annual banquet was served. Addresses were made by the president of the served. The council then went in a body to the National Hotel, where the thirtieth annual banquet was served. Addresses were made by the president of the served. served. Addresses were made by the president of the senate, F. E. Ferguson; Senators W. D. Brown and U. S. J. Dunbar, C. T. Miller, vice president of the cabinet; W. H. Lewis, J. Harry Jones, secretary of the General Deputies Association; S. Jacobson, B. Johnson and O. H. Coumbe. The retiring president was presented with a National Union jewel.

Was Maude Howell-Smith, president of the District of Columbia division, called a continued session of the annual convention of the District division Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock, at Confederate Memorial Home, 1322 Ver-

cial secretary and one trustee, made increasing processory by the resignation of B. J. Brown. The "good of the order" committee of the order committee on Joint excursion in the served coffee and sandwiches, exported on Joint excursion in the current six months. Mean the committee on Joint excursion in the current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current six months are current six months. Mean the current six months are current

ported a number of the members on the sick list and exhorted all to visit as many as possible. John Maxwell acted as secretary

the absence of William S. Shelby. Tuesday evening, January 25, a special meeting of the new member committee was held at the call of the chairman, Ed J. Murphy, about 200 enthusiastic members responding. Chairman Murphy, with the assistance of James Farrell and the board of stewrds, provided a fine "lay-out."

Representative Meeker, a member of St. Louis Lodge and a member of Con-gress from St. Louis, made an address. The "dance committee" will hold its regular session Thursday evening.
Charle Herrmann announced that the

Brightwood Review Monday evening planned a rummage sale. The guards will have a party the latter part of February. Mrs. La Rue was present and talked of the plans being made for the season by the reviews jointly.

Plans for the joint ball February 29 manager for Maryland, was present are being made. east Temple Wednesday. Three candi

interest of the national varieties of the na

Ancona is very old. The statement applies to all of Italy and half of Europe, but few places give the stranger half so sharp an impression of endless dusty centuries lying behind. It is not the streets particularly-they are the nor overly clean, common to all Italian cities. It is not the houses, which are old, but no older than other Italian houses; nor the people, who are typical Italian city dwellers. It is in the

Ancona makes the visitor feel modern and out of place. It makes him conscious of his straw hat and the crease in his trousers. He feels that the ploturesque garb of the people of the poorer quarters is the only one to wear, and if circumstances forbid his donning it, he will probably follow one of the steep side streets that lead up the hills on either hand, to seek some modern suburb where he is less of a jarring note in the picture. The city lies between two great hills,

The city lies between two great hills, that thrust past it out into the sea, making the harbor. From above it looks as though it huddled in the bottom of a pit, and the thought suggest itself that this would be a poor place to defend against an enemy with artillery, who occupied the heights. But the very thought of artillery is an anachronism. Ancona belongs to the days when men adjusted their little differences with an ax.

At the very top of the hill stands a church that is old even for Ancona. Its side is the same ground that was used for a temple to Venus more than 2,000 years ago. Local tradition says that some of the columns of that original temple are still part of the church

regular session Thursday evening.

Charlie Herrmann announced that the like's Oyster Club would have an "oyster cast" for the ladies February 21.

Williams I. Evans spoke in behalf of the big brother movement and requested all the co-operation possible for future affairs. The commander, Mrs. Cartner, has been reported ill with the grip since this meeting, and Mrs. Estelle Huntington, the finance auditor, is also ill.

Liberty Review entertained forty-five at a banquet Tuesday evening. A program was given by friends and members of the order, the speakers being Mr. Shannon and Mrs. Mabel T. La Rue. Mrs. Shaffer was chairman of the banquet committee and the commander, Mrs. Kate Shannon, was toastmistress.

Mrs. Dobrowolski was reported sick.

Charlie Herrmann announced that the Elks' Oyster Club would have an "oyster Club